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Subject: RMI Acknowledgement MV VIGOROUS – IMO 9546239 – Official Number 4890 - Non availability of compliant fuel for North America ECA

Dear Sir/Madam,

We confirm receipt of the notification regarding the non-availability of ECA compliant LSFO.

The following is noted:

- NPOC Philadelphia, PA, USA
- A Fuel Oil Non-Availability Report (FONAR) is being prepared and will be submitted to the US EPA
- The ship intends to stem compliant LSFO at Philadelphia

The Maritime Administrator does not give permissions when compliant fuel is not available.

Please provide a copy of the FONAR when it is submitted to the US-EPA.

With Best Regards,

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Importance: High

To: IRI - Investigations
Fm: Lamda Maritime S.A.

RE: MV VIGOROUS – IMO 9546239 – Official Number 4890 - Non availability of compliant fuel for North America ECA

Dear Sirs,

We wish to inform you that under our management MV Vigorous, is presently loading Bagged Cocoa in San Pedro, Abidjan,

Ivory Coast bound to Philadelphia, Pa (USA) for discharging. The vessel is expecting to enter the North American ECA area

on about January 29th, 2014.

Main engine operation/steaming from entering ECA until Philadelphia Pier # 84 will last about 24 hours.

Our problem is that the vessel currently does not have compliant fuel oil with max 1% Sulphur content, which is required

in the North America ECA. Sulphur content is 2,274%.

Vessel's last voyage was from Kohsichang, Thailand to Douala, Cameroon for discharging Bagged Rice from 15/09/2014 until 03/01/2014.

Upon next fixing, for loading Bagged Cocoa in Ivory Coast for USA, It was planned to supply Low Sulphur F.O. not exceeding 1% concentration.

Regret but not such LSFO was available in the whole West African area and even en-route to Philadelphia.

It was not possible to find a supplier on the bunker market who was able to deliver low Sulphur oil in that area.

All fuel oil suppliers who were contacted could only supply high Sulphur fuel.

After all attempts failed, the vessel bunkered HFO on January 12th, 2014 at open sea on bunker position, Abidjan Offshore (04 50 N / 004 00 W)

Copy of Bunker Delivery Note is attached hereto, showing supplied fuel has 2,274% concentration of Sulphur.

Immediately upon vessel's arrival Philadelphia, compliant fuel oil will be purchased and delivered onboard enabling the vessel

the soonest possible use of compliant fuel within ECA.

Prior to our approaching EPA with the Fuel Oil Non-Availability Report and prior to informing USCG, we would appreciate to receive your

prompt confirmation and permission for the ship to proceed to the North American ECA with non-compliant fuel.

Looking forward to receiving your reply.

Thanks and Best Regards

Lamda Maritime